

In the Claims:

1. (Original) A method comprising:
issuing a periodic allowance to a juvenile, said allowance comprising an allotment of digital money tokens; and
charging a parent of said juvenile for said allowance.
2. (Original) The method of claim 1 that further includes spending at least some of said digital money tokens as compensation for music delivered to the juvenile over an electronic network.
3. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein each of the digital money tokens comprises a pseudo-random number.
4. (New) The method of claim 1 wherein each digital money token has an amount of monetary value associated therewith, but said token does not include data representing the amount of said monetary value.
5. (New) The method of claim 4 wherein each token corresponds to a string of data stored in a device in the custody of the juvenile.
6. (New) The method of claim 4 wherein each token has no identifier by which it may be associated with a particular juvenile or parent.
7. (New) The method of claim 1 wherein each token corresponds to a string of data stored in a device in the custody of the juvenile.
8. (New) A method comprising:
presenting an object to an image sensor, the object conveying optically encoded machine-readable information;
sensing the machine-readable information from the object;

transmitting data corresponding to said machine-readable information to a remote device; and
receiving in reply one or more digital money tokens.

9. (New) The method of claim 8 wherein the image sensor is a web cam.
10. (New) The method of claim 8 wherein the object is a sticker or a card.
11. (New) The method of claim 8 that includes storing said one or more digital money tokens in a device in the custody of a user.
12. (New) The method of claim 8 in which said tokens have a commercial brand associated therewith.